

COUNTRY: Poland

REPORT

TOPIC: Polish Troops near Andrespol and Galkow

EVALUATION: PLACE OBTAINED

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REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE)

REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. Prior to February 1951, a Polish training battalion was quartered in a barracks installation near Andrespol (Q 52/P 03). The installation consisted of about forty small single-story villas surrounded by a wire fence. Prior to the war, they had been used to accommodate personnel on recreation and, during the war, for quartering internees. The unit billeted there had small arms. Individual training and combat firing exercises were repeatedly observed in the area just west of the compound.<sup>1</sup>
2. One hundred to 150 armored canvas-covered vehicles were parked in 4 or 5 rows in the rear of the houses near the road. They had prime mover tracks and gun barrels. Their number and arrangement was frequently changed. Imprints of prime mover tracks were often seen at the entrance gate of the installation.<sup>1</sup> Thirty to 40 piles of ammunition, each about 3 meters long and 2 meters high, and containing medium-caliber gun ammunition, were in the eastern section of the area. Forty to 60 fuselages and other airplane parts were stored in the open. A loading ramp, about 1,000 meters southwest of this area, was at a double track line which branched from the main railroad line near Andrespol toward the west. The double track had been built during WW II.<sup>1</sup>
3. A Polish ammunition depot was in the Brzeziny forest, about 2 km southwest of Galkow (Q 52/P 13), prior to February 1951. A brick building, at least 100 meters long, was seen in this area. It had been destroyed during the war and was reconstructed in 1949.<sup>2</sup>
4. Prior to late 1950, a barracks installation was about 1,000 meters west of the railroad station in Galkow. It consisted of two three-story buildings, each about 50 meters long, and some single-story buildings. It quartered a Polish infantry unit, wearing red collar patches, which had been billeted there since 1948. No motor vehicles, horses or heavy weapons were seen.<sup>2</sup>

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1. ☐ Comment. ☐ the installation possibly housed an ordnance and ammunition depot with its guard detail, rather than a training battalion.

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2. ☐ Comment. This information confirms a previous report ☐ This ammunition depot existed before

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World War I and was used again during World War II. The guard detail was quartered in the barracks installation located 1 km west of the railroad station in Galkow.

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